



## Senate

General Assembly

**File No. 342**

February Session, 2004

Substitute Senate Bill No. 540

*Senate, March 30, 2004*

The Committee on Environment reported through SEN. WILLIAMS of the 29th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

**AN ACT CONCERNING CONSULTANTS HIRED BY THE  
CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 22a-265a of the general statutes is repealed and  
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2004*):

3 If, during any fiscal year the number of employees authorized by  
4 the board pursuant to subdivision (1) of section 22a-265 [exceeds forty-  
5 five, expenditures by the authority for outside consultants during such  
6 fiscal year shall be reduced below expenditures for outside consultants  
7 for the previous fiscal year by an amount equal to expenditures for  
8 such additional employees in excess of forty-five unless during such  
9 fiscal year municipalities contract with the authority for the  
10 development or operation of additional recycling, intermediate  
11 processing or resources recovery processing facilities] is (1) less than  
12 forty, then the ratio of the expenditures by the authority for outside  
13 consultants to its expenditures for full-time employees shall be not

14 greater than two to one during such fiscal year; (2) not less than forty  
15 and not greater than forty-five, then the ratio of the expenditures by  
16 the authority for outside consultants to its expenditures for full-time  
17 employees shall be not greater than one and one-half to one during  
18 such fiscal year; (3) not less than forty-six and not greater than fifty,  
19 then the ratio of the expenditures by the authority for outside  
20 consultants to its expenditures for full-time employees shall be not  
21 greater than one to one during such fiscal year; (4) not less than fifty-  
22 one and not more than sixty, then the ratio of the expenditures by the  
23 authority for outside consultants to its expenditures for full-time  
24 employees shall be not greater than eight-tenths to one during such  
25 fiscal year; and (5) not less than sixty-one, then the ratio of the  
26 expenditures by the authority for outside consultants to its  
27 expenditures for full-time employees shall be not greater than one-half  
28 to one during such fiscal year.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	July 1, 2004

**ENV**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

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**OFA Fiscal Note****State Impact:**

Agency Affected	FY 05 \$	FY 06 \$
CT Resources Recovery Authority (quasi-public)	See Below	See Below

**Municipal Impact:**

Municipalities	FY 05 \$	FY 06 \$
Various Municipalities	See Below	See Below

**Explanation**

To the extent that the new formula concerning the amount expended on employees and consultants allows for increased flexibility and more efficient use of resources, there could be a reduction in potential expenses to the Connecticut Resource Recovery Authority. This in turn, could contain future municipal tipping fees.

**OLR Bill Analysis**

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**AN ACT CONCERNING CONSULTANTS HIRED BY THE  
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In fiscal years that the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority (CRRA) has more than 45 full-time employees, current law requires, in most cases, that it reduce the amount it spends on outside consultants by the amount it spends on those employees in excess of 45. This bill replaces that formula with one that allows CRRA to spend proportionally more money on outside consultants as its full-time staff decreases below 46 employees, and requires it to spend proportionally less as its full-time staff grows to more than 50.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2004

**EMPLOYEE-CONSULTANT RATIO**

<b><i>Number of Full-Time CRRA Employees</i></b>	<b><i>Percentage of Employee Expenditures CRRA May Spend on Consultants</i></b>
Fewer than 40	Up to 200%
40 to 45	Up to 150%
46 to 50	Up to 100%
51 to 60	Up to 80%
61 and more	Up to 50%

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

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